Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 18 Feb 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 19 Feb 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 18 Feb 2022 at 03:32 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled, save for Saturday, but lowering for the detail of timing of poorest conditions.

Headline for Friday 18 Feb 2022: Cloudy with occasional snow in south and east for morning, otherwise showers. Severe wind chill.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 18 Feb 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Cloudy	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability					
40%	50%	50%	20%	40%	30%

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Weather: Rather cloudy overnight with scattered snow showers, mainly across northern and western ranges. Area of snow affecting the far southern and eastern peaks during the morning, otherwise rather cloudy with snow showers, these quite light and well scattered at first, turning heavier and more frequent from the north late in the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10-20% in the far east and south during the morning, otherwise 70%.

Low cloud and visibility: Becoming moderate to very poor in showers or longer wintry outbreaks, only a few metres in cloud with bases from 500m extensive in the far east and south during the morning and sporadically so in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	20/24 E	28/33 E	22/27 N	20/25 NW	19/25 W	18/24 W	14/19 NW
900	20/25 E	28/33 E	19/24 N	19/24 NW	19/25 W	17/23 W	13/17 NW
600	12/18 E	18/24 E	14/19 N	11/16 NW	12/18 W	11/17 W	8/13 NW
300	6/19 E	8/26 NE	6/20 N	4/18 NW	6/20 W	4/17 NW	3/14 W
Glen	15/25 E	15/27 NE	12/22 N	6/15 NW	8/17 W	7/15 W	6/12 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-5/-13	-6/-16	-6/-14	-5/-13	-5/-13	-5/-12	-5/-11
900	-4/-12	-5/-14	-5/-12	-4/-12	-4/-12	-4/-11	-4/-10
600	-2/-7	-3/-10	-2/-8	-1/-6	-2/-7	-2/-7	-2/-6
300	-1/-4	-1/-5	0/-3	1/-1	0/-3	-1/-4	-1/-3
Glen	2/-3	2/-4	3/-1	4/2	3/-0	2/-1	2/-1
Freezing Level*	100m	100m	200m	300m	300m	300m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Severe wind chill at height, also navigation difficult in far east and south during the morning.

Forecast for Saturday 19 Feb 2022
Weather: Fair by day with good bright and sunny spells and only a few isolated and light wintry showers cropping up. Band of snow spreading from southwest during the evening.

Maximum wind: West or southwest 20mph gusts 30mph, backing south or southeast later in day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 95%

Low cloud and visibility: Good or very good, becoming moderate or poor in showers, only a few metres in cloud with bases infrequently lowering 600m in showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 4 Celsius increasing 4 Celsius during the afternoon
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius
Freezing level: 200m

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